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Monsoon Season
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Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether monsoon season in the country falls between May and September;

(b) if not, the State-wise assessment of Government in this regard;

(c) the average rainfall during each of the months from May to September in respect of percentage of total monsoon rainfall in the country, State-wise; and

(d) the details of monsoon rainfall recorded in the country during the last three and the current monsoon season, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY)

(a-b) No Madam. Monsoon season in the country is defined to be between June and September. However, considering the date of onset and the date of withdrawal of southwest monsoon, different states may have different duration of southwest monsoon in a year.

(c) The average monthly rainfall from June to September as percentage of monsoon rainfall for all the states of the country is given at Annexure-I. Certain States receive rainfall during the month of May also, which is not considered as monsoon rainfall. For the purpose of comparison of rainfall received in May, the % of May rainfall is separately shown as % of total monsoon rainfall.

(d) State wise monsoon rainfall statistics for the years from 2013 to 2016 is given at Annexure-II.